

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

DSCF Standard Mail Load Leveling

Docket No. N2014-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 2

(Issued January 29, 2014)

The Postal Service is requested to respond to the following question to clarify the record on its request for an advisory opinion under 39 U.S.C. § 3661(c) regarding a Load Leveling Plan for DSCF entered Standard Mail.<sup>1</sup> To facilitate inclusion of the requested material in the evidentiary record, the Postal Service shall have a witness attest to the accuracy of the answers. The response is due no later than February 4, 2014.

1. The following question concerns vote-by-mail materials (including absentee ballots) sent directly to voters through the Postal Service by state, county, and municipal jurisdictions (Voter Mail).
  - a. Please describe the methods (class of mail, mail product, entry method, etc.) used by voting jurisdictions to send Voter Mail to individual voters.
  - b. Please estimate the percentage of Voter Mail sent by voting jurisdictions to individual voters that is DSCF Standard Mail. Please explain the basis of the estimate and the period of time measured, e.g., FY 2012.

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<sup>1</sup> United States Postal Service Request for an Advisory Opinion on Changes in the Nature of Postal Services, December 27, 2013 (Request).

- c. Please describe the methods (class of mail, mail product, entry method, etc.) used by individuals to return Voter Mail to the applicable voting jurisdiction.
- d. Describe the effect of the Load Leveling Plan on Voter Mail, if any.
- e. How does the Postal Service plan to inform mailers that enter Voter Mail as DSCF Standard Mail of the change in service standards?

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